

## Arab Guerrillas Hold U.S. Envoys

### Release Of Sirhan Demanded



CLEO A. NOEL  
U.S. Envoy Seized

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — The Middle East News Agency said today the Sudanese government has agreed to provide a plane to fly Arab guerrillas and their hostages to the United States from Khartoum.

The Egyptian agency said in its dispatch from Khartoum that the guerrillas, holding the U.S. ambassador and four other diplomats, also demanded that two members of Sudan's Cabinet go with them on the flight to the United States. This was refused, the agency reported.

The dispatch was filed about an hour after the deadline set by the guerrillas, members of the Palestinian Black September organization, for the execution of their hostages if their demands were not met.

There was no immediate explanation why the guerrillas wanted to come to the United States.

After seizing the hostages Thursday during a reception at the Saudi Arabian Embassy in Khartoum, the guerrillas demanded the release of dozens of colleagues held in Jordan and freedom for Sirhan B. Sirhan, convicted assassin of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy in 1968 now serving a life term in California. But they were reported to have eased these demands.

The Egyptian dispatch said the guerrillas wanted Foreign Minister Mansour Khaled and Information Minister Omar Haj Nussa of Sudan to go along on the flight to the United States but the government "totally rejected" this.

Two Americans are among the hostages: Ambassador Cleo

A. Noel Jr. and the U.S. charge d'affaires, Curtis G. Moore. The reception was in Moore's honor because of his imminent departure for home.

The others held are Adley el Nasser of Jordan, Guy Eid of Belgium, both charges d'affaires, and the Saudi ambassador.

In another resolution, the party proposed conscription of yeshiva — religious school — students for military service. Yeshiva students, as well as Orthodox religious girls, are exempt from serving in Israel's army.

Israel's two chief rabbis, former chief army Chaplain Shlomo Goren and Ovadia Yosef, expressed shock at the res-



SIRHAN B. SIRHAN  
His Release Demanded

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## Indian's Home Fire-Bombed; Tension Mounts

WOUNDED KNEE, S.D. (AP) — Sen. George S. McGovern said early today that a negotiating session with representatives of the 200 Indians who had taken over this

historic hamlet "ended on a jarring note" when the militants were informed that the home of one of their leaders was fire-bombed while the parley was under way.

Word of the reported fire-bombing "stirred them up pretty much," said Sen. James Abourezk, D-S.D., who was also at the negotiating session.

The senators said the situation before dawn was very tense.

The new tension flared several hours after the militants had released 11 hostages they had held since taking over the village late Tuesday.

The 11 who were freed declined to leave the village, preferring to remain in their hometown.

McGovern, also a South Dakota Democrat, said the report of the fire-bombing of the home of Aaron Deserasas in nearby Pine Ridge became known as the meeting drew to a close.

Deserasas is national communications director for the American Indian Movement (AIM), whose members were prominent in the takeover here. Pine Ridge is about 15 miles southwest of Wounded Knee. It was not known whether Deserasas was among the militants still barricaded at Wounded Knee.

It was reported that Deserasas' wife was injured in the fire, which caused moderate damage to the rear of the building.

Police officials in Pine Ridge refused comment.

McGovern said the 15 Indian leaders who spoke with the senators "were very disturbed about the fire-bombing ... but it underscores the danger that exists here."

McGovern said the Indians "gave every indication that they expected to face charges."

He said they did not mention

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HOSTAGES RELEASED BY INDIANS: These are some of the 11 Dakota. They are, from left, Clyde Gildersleeve, Mary Pike, Agnes Gildersleeve, Mrs. A.M. Clark and William Riegert. (AP Wirephoto)

### Benton Man Pays \$120 For Lollipop

The theft of a 50 cent lollipop from a Benton township gas station cost a 17-year-old youth a fine and cost of \$120 in Fifth District court Thursday.

Darryl A. Davis, of 1071 Hall street, Benton Harbor, was ordered to pay the fine and costs on a weekly basis by Judge John T. Hammond.

Since the first of the year, Berrien Fifth District judges have been very consistent concerning fines levied for persons convicted of petty larceny. The penalty for offenders has ranged between \$90 and \$120, and in some cases, Judge Leo "Pat" Cook has also tacked on a three to five day jail sentence.

### Winner Of \$200,000

## He Was Unlucky Till Now

SAGINAW, Mich. (AP) — A 56-year-old machine parts inspector who had never won anything in his life except a chocolate cake, today won \$200,000 in the Michigan Lottery.

Ernest I. Nolan, who works at Detroit Arsenal, said, "I thought I over, dreamed about it and here it is. But it's all too sudden."

Nolan, who is married and has two children, said he has no definite plans how he will use his winnings.

His wife, Beulah, said her husband never won anything before except a chocolate cake at a Fireman's Ball they attended before their marriage. "It's just too fabulous," she said.

Jerry L. Ziltrich, 39, of Sterling Heights, was runnerup in the drawing. He won \$50,000.

Other \$50,000 winners were: William K. Anderson, 25, of Petoskey; Alvanus F. Gibson, 65, of Detroit; Malcolm Collier of Detroit; John F. Dohbertin, 57, of Battle Creek; Lillian Dedes, 33, and Benjamin R. Johnson, 38, both of Detroit, and 28-year-old Edmund O. Price of Ferndale, who borrowed 50 cents to purchase his first lottery ticket ever.

The three \$10,000 winners included Joseph J. Dul, 50, of Dearborn, representing a 10-member lottery club from Garden City; Ronald A. Mahinski of Hamtramck, and Clifton R. McAllister, 63, of Alma.



\$200,000 WINNER: Ernest I. Nolan (left) and his wife, Beulah, of Centerline, grin from ear-to-ear with Michigan Lottery Director Gus Harrison (center) after Nolan had been announced winner of the \$200,000 jackpot in the lottery's Super Drawing in Saginaw Thursday. (AP Wirephoto)

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## Beer Drinker Starts Meat Moratorium

DRUMMOND ISLAND, Mich. (AP) — An irate cook, inspired by a disgruntled beer drinker, has launched what she hopes will be a national meat moratorium.

But even if the Northwood Inn Revolution never spreads to the rest of the nation, Sharon Weiler and her cronies have at least managed to organize most of the 700 people who live on Drummond Island, off the eastern tip of Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

Mrs. Weiler said she had to raise the price of her groundbeef hamburgers from 65 to 75 cents this week because the price of ground beef had jumped 20 cents to \$1.05 a pound in a two-week period.

"If this doesn't stop, we might as well stop eating meat altogether," grouched a disgruntled customer between beers two and

three at the inn.

"That's not a bad idea," said Mrs. Weiler—and a revolution was born.

Mrs. Weiler theorizes if everyone refuses to buy or eat meat between March 11-18, the prices will have to come down.

A militia of steady customers was organized to spread the word to the rest of the islanders and the Ad Hoc Committee of Housewives and Husbands Against the Rising Cost of Meat was formed.

"Once people find out about this," she said, "it's bound to snowball."

Even if the AHC/HARC doesn't work, said another islander, there will be enough money saved for a party afterwards.

"We're all a little fat anyway," said Mrs. Weiler. "We could live on that."

## THE HERALD-PRESS

## Editorial Page

W. J. Banyon, Editor and Publisher  
Bert Lindenfeld, Managing Editor

## Lansing Cool To Supreme Court's Big Leap Forward

Key legislators reacted coldly this week to a mammoth reorganization of the Michigan judicial system proposed by Thomas M. Kavanaugh, chief justice of the state supreme court.

Kavanaugh wants the legislature to initiate a constitutional amendment of a sweeping scope.

One part would establish the state supreme court as an absolute dictator with authority to determine how many lower courts there should be and in what geographical areas they should serve. It would include the power to move personnel around with the same authority that a corporation board chairman or president switches his executives from one assignment to another or from one locality to the next.

The second part would earmark three per cent of the state's revenue to finance the system. Again, the supreme court would determine salaries and other economic benefits.

Without bothering to consider the implications in the first section of Kavanaugh's suggestion, House and Senate leaders have rejected the package because the legislature would be shorn of its traditional control over the public purse strings.

Unless Kavanaugh can contrive a second sale on the legislature, he would have to pursue the direct initiative route.

The argument advanced for the constitutional guaranty on financing is that the present system of a state salary for judges on the circuit and probate courts which the counties can sweeten by voluntary supplements creates undesirable disparities throughout the state, and poses the threat of subservience to the local pursestring holders, namely, the county commissioners. The threat to the district courts is greater because they are locally paid.

On the broader scale, Kavanaugh says no judiciary can be independent and of equal standing with the governor and the legislature if it must run to the legislature for money.

His argument is plausible at first blush, but if his idea becomes a reality, there would be no public control whatever over the judiciary. Even the governor and the legislature have to put their record on the line each four years with the voters.

Much as one must agree with Kavanaugh's thesis that judicial reform is long overdue, a look at the record in Michigan indicates somebody other than the judges and lawyers should be given the assignment.

Not quite 30 years ago the non-partisan election of judges received wide acclaim as a step toward elevating the quality of personnel on the courts. The most this has accomplished is to make it more difficult to get at a good judge or a poor one come election day.

Pre-trial was the next to come along. This is a conference between the

lawyers to the opposing sides in a civil case, referred by the circuit judge, in which side issues are stripped away so the parties can move expeditiously to a trial on the real bone of contention. It is also supposed to prompt settlements. In practice it has become two trials rather than one, is frittering away more court time than before, and showing no demonstrable acceleration in settlements.

Shortly after pre-trial came into vogue, the cry arose that more judges for the circuit courts would relieve the crowded dockets. Whether the legal business has risen proportionately faster than the appointment of more judges may be a debate in economic statistics, but the fact is that the dockets are more clogged than ever.

In the late '60s three other innovations arrived.

The district courts replaced the old JPs. The justice of the peace system had long been in disrepute because its fees for the JPs rather than a salary promoted one-sided verdicts favoring the people bringing the most business to the justice of the peace. One sales pitch for a more ethical treatment in the lower court said the salaried plan somehow would pay for itself. The quality of justice has improved, but if anyone thinks the price tag is as advertised, all he need do is ask the county commissioner which represents his area.

The legislature adopted a new procedural code under the assumption it would expedite the entire judicial procedure and eliminate much of the delay and stalling tactics in the older system. All the new code accomplished was to change the styling in the paperwork. The delays and stalls remain as fixed as ever.

Establishing an intermediate step in the appeal process from circuit court to the supreme among other promised benefits would enable the supreme court more time to superintend more closely the system's functioning down the line. Its only product to date is Kavanaugh's theory to remove the courts almost entirely from the public.

This record of attempted reform from within is scarcely reassuring. Kavanaugh's plan is no more than a scheme to cement in the questionable practice of management auditing itself.

The judicial system is basically sound as being in tune with the democratic principle; but in trying to keep up with the times its members instinctively think of expedients rather than a genuine overhaul.

Years ago Ford Motors fell close to being swamped by General Motors because Henry I held on too long to a corporate structuring of the Ma'n Pa type which is totally inadequate to a nationwide market.

The judicial system sorely needs some outside management consultation.

## Testing A Commitment

Debate over United States financial aid to North Vietnam may only have begun in Congress. An interesting suggestion as a substitute for dollars has come from, of all places, West Germany.

A Bonn newspaper quotes a government official as suggesting some of those thousands of militant young

people who were so vehemently opposed to the United States presence in Vietnam that they were persuaded to engage in demonstrations might now be prepared to make a positive contribution in erasing the ravages of war.

"Whoever really wants to help from abroad," the story continued, "will find a way, not only with money contributions. Why should there not be work columns in the foreseeable time, composed of young people from the West and East who in Vietnam take into their hands spades, hammers and hoes? Youth has a task ahead."

The suggestion is directed not only to American youth, but the thousands who joined American demonstrators in foreign lands as well. It will be interesting to see if there are any takers among those who were so vocal before the cease-fire was signed.

Colonial clockmakers often had little training, but produced accurate timepieces. Talented amateurs continue the tradition. Discarded automobile parts have been fashioned into clockworks, and one man recently made a grandfather clock with all the mechanism carved from wood.



## GLANCING BACKWARDS

## APARTMENTS GET APPROVAL

— 1 Year Ago —

The last obstacle in the path of a \$1.1 million Langley avenue apartment building project was removed last night when the St. Joseph city commission gave Bill Bloom permission to start construction.

Bloom had originally asked the commission for a rezoning of a five-acre lot at 1600 Langley from A-3 single dwelling to C-1 multiple dwelling. Last week, the St. Joseph planning commission, by a 6-1 vote, recommended to the St. Joseph city commission

that a special use permit be granted Bloom.

## CONSTITUTION ENDORSED

— 10 Years Ago —

Directors of the Twin City area Chamber of Commerce have endorsed the proposed new state constitution.

Although the Chamber regularly notifies area members in the state legislature of its position on many pieces of pending legislation having a local or particular economic significance, the constitution endorsement is one of the few times the group has taken a

## ANZIO FORCES REPULSE NAZIS

— 29 Years Ago —

American troops fighting fiercely against a three-division German attack on the center of the Anzio beachhead defense lines have thrown the enemy back 1,000 yards and are still making progress, it was announced today.

The Germans, however, were said to be resisting strongly near a road junction slightly south of the midway point between Carroceto and Cisterna after having lost two-thirds of the ground they gained yesterday in the early stages of their assault, apparently their third all-out effort to wipe out the beachhead.

## YOUTH DANCE

— 39 Years Ago —

The Young Democratic club of Berrien county is to have a dance at the Four Flags hotel in Niles, entitled on dance programs as a "New Deal" dance. Young Dems will hear Senator Leon D. Case of Watervliet, floor leader in the Michigan state senate, give a short address during the evening.

## PURCHASE PROPERTY

— 49 Years Ago —

William Gersonde has purchased the Edward L. Hall property at 1736 Forbes avenue and will take immediate possession. The Halls are moving to Glendora for the summer and will return to St. Joseph in the fall.

## TO HEAR REPORTS

— 59 Years Ago —

The city council at a regular session to be held in temporary quarters in the Wells block, will hear a report from the board of public works on the advisability of sinking an artesian well on the beach near the pumping station. The supply would be used in case of emergency, such as arose recently when the lake intake pipe became clogged, shutting off the water supply for the entire city.

## EDITOR'S MAILBAG

## SPEAKS UP FOR RAMPART AMBULANCES

Editor,

It seems that the commissioners of St. Joseph and Benton Harbor have no regards for the people of the Twin Cities, as for what is good for them. It seems that St. Joseph has made a hasty move toward favoritism rather than good judgment. A person should have the right to make a choice for better service, as competition makes good business.

The newer ambulance company, Rampart, is a group of nice young men that seems to think of service to the people first and finance comes second. I have used both and feel my privilege of choice is being taken away, if Rampart is denied city licenses rights to operate in Benton Harbor. I do hope our commissioners will give this some serious thought.

Thomas Robinson  
1089 Hurd street  
Benton Harbor.

## WHY THE PRICE OF PORK IS HIGH

Editor,

For the benefit of those who wonder why the price of pork is so high, well its because they're not sending enough "pigs" to market to be slaughtered.

There were about eight of them on Paw Paw Lake, at 4 a.m. Sunday morning on snowmobiles. It wasn't bad enough that they were as noisy as could be but they left their empty beer cans and cartons on the ice at Bowes Landing. They're probably the same pigs that throw the cans in the lake in the summer.

Helen Frieeling  
Bowes Landing  
Watervliet.

Bruce Biossat

## Trade Rivalries

## Pinch Have-Nots



WASHINGTON (NEA) — Out front, the world's trade dilemma centers on the super-producers: the United States, Japan, and an increasingly cohesive Western Europe. Backstage, the underdeveloped lands are proving to be the keenest sufferers from the rich-nation rivalry.

In the past two decades, their share of world trade has declined from one-third of the total to one-fifth, and their plight is getting worse. It is their exports which feel the squeeze as the wealthier countries maintain or heighten protectionist barriers in their own competitive struggle.

Some 75 per cent of their foreign exchange is earned by exports, yet prices for these (usually raw materials or low-technology goods) have dropped even as the prices of the things they import have risen.

We are talking, of course, about the impoverished lands of Latin America like Colombia, Ecuador and Peru; nearly the whole of Africa, and much of Asia, including huge India, but also some nations such as Taiwan and South Korea which have showed modest promise in low-technology industries.

I have written often of trade experts' judgment that the great gap between the rich and the poor nations is really never going to narrow substantially. The advanced countries, with their high-technology base, their sophisticated work force, and their pools of capital, will always be on the upward move as the less developed places fight for betterment.

Plagued with excessive population growth, some of these lands have tried gamely

to offset falling raw materials prices by building labor-intensive industries like textile and shoe manufacture.

As indicated, Taiwan and South Korea are among those which have had a certain success. But moves like America's 1971 textile quota system, advanced to meet competition mainly from Japan, struck hard at these lesser countries. They have suffered even though, curiously little noticed, they have been selling increased amounts of low-technology products to Japan itself.

It is dawn on the underdeveloped nations that they are not going to close the wealth gap with the big fellows. But they want at least to lift themselves above the poverty line, and the new wave of protectionism threatens to become a mountainous barrier to their aspirations.

Unemployment in some of the underdeveloped areas runs as high as 30 to 40 per cent. Where the "green revolution" advancing farm technology and output has had any results, it has created new pools of rural unemployed who stream to the cities and magnify urban problems.

Where agricultural techniques still have not advanced much, poor countries need actually to import food as well as other consumer goods and the machinery counted on to plunge them hopefully into industry.

The stiff restrictions of the European Common Market, enlarged now by the strongly self-protective British bloc, hurt badly. But they see as an even bigger threat such measures as the pending Burke-Hartke protectionist bill in the U.S. Congress.

Marianne Means

## Nixon Will Win His OEO Battle



WASHINGTON — President Richard Nixon underestimated the psychological price he would have to pay for dismantling the Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO), Lyndon Johnson's ambitious effort to ease the burdens of the poor.

Nixon is developing a compassion gap. The White House OEO project has been a public relations disaster, with the President cast in the role of heavy.

The White House, caught by surprise, is so concerned about damage to the President's image that domestic czar John Ehrlichman is personally monitoring each new OEO crisis and supervising belated efforts to build a publicity backfire.

A legitimate case can be made for what the President is trying to do with the war on poverty. But the White House has not yet made it. The problem has been handled with all the sensitivity toward the poor of a starving cobra toward a trapped rabbit.

It was inevitable that there

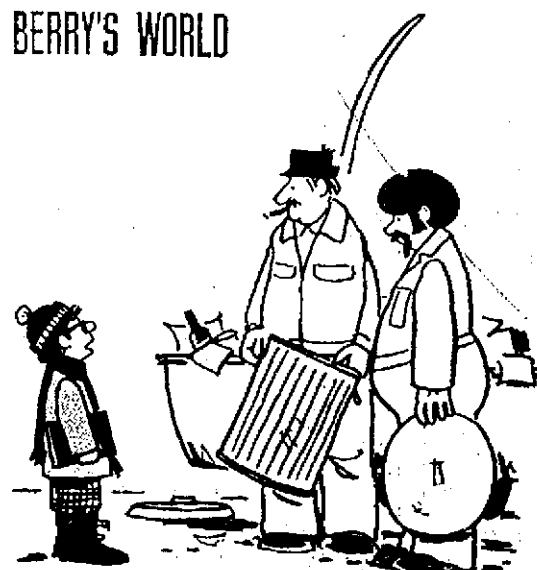
would be opposition to the elimination of OEO from the 80,000-plus Community Action workers and the several thousand Federal staffers who would lose their jobs, from Democrats committed to its concept, and from Congressmen angry about every aspect of their current power struggle with the President. But the result of White House mishandling has been an upsurge that the President's bright young men did not anticipate.

Key Congressional Democrats have pledged to restore OEO. Unionized OEO staff workers and local Community Action directors have filed suits in U.S. district courts asserting that the dismantling of the agency is not just ill advised but illegal. At least five young activists working for Ralph Nader have been interviewing unhappy OEO officials, preparing to fight elimination of the Legal Aid Services program. Interviews appear almost daily, with various officials bemoaning Nixon's heartlessness toward the poor. A new Louis Harris poll reports that only 39 per cent of those surveyed favor destroying OEO.

With a little public education effort, the White House might have sold its viewpoint. In truth, all but two programs in OEO will survive, although in reduced and reorganized form under various appropriate departments. The President has promised that although he means to kill legal aid it will be reborn as a quasi-public or private corporation. Only the Community Action program, which has long been of dubious effectiveness and plagued by political activism, is being totally abandoned.

## RETURN TO WORK

WINDSOR, Ont. (AP)—Some 600 union members at the Hillman Walker and Sons Ltd. distillery in Windsor returned to work after a brief walkout Wednesday in support of striking workers at a sister plant in Winfield, B.C., officials said.



"How's everything in the ecology game?"

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**HOME ON WHEELS:** This house was moved Thursday some five miles, from 830 Milo street in Benton Heights to the property of Richard Wheeler on Roslyn road. Piloting the truck in photo is James Wheeler, Jr. The project was contracted by house mover Lester Jones of Benton Harbor. This picture was taken at Twelve Corners by Adolph Hann, Hartford aerial photographer who normally takes his pictures from a higher altitude. Two men on top of house helped ease the building through low-hanging wires and trees.

## Twin Cities Seeking Solutions

# Pedestrian Problem Spotlighted

The time and reasons for an increase in pedestrian accidents in the twin cities area have been pinpointed, now it's up to the Twin City Safety and Traffic

committee to write specific recommendations to combat the problem. According to a survey by the Automobile Club of Michigan,

June and October are the worst months, Tuesday is the worst day and the worst hours are between 8-9 a.m. and 4-5 p.m. These figures were given by

Gerald L. Spray of Detroit, education consultant for the safety and traffic engineering department of the Automobile club, at a meeting of the committee yesterday at the Flagship restaurant, St. Joseph.

Representatives of the governing boards of Benton Harbor, St. Joseph and Benton township joined law enforcement officers and safety officials to hear Spray's review of the problem. The discussion went well past the hour allotted for the review.

Spray's exhaustive review of pedestrian accidents will become the basis for a program to combat the increase. His picture of the typical school age accident victim is a youngster, six to seven years old, hit on a Tuesday afternoon in March, sometime after arriving home from school.

Most of the adult and school age pedestrian accidents, 62 and 87 per cent respectively, happened when walkers tried to

cross the street in the middle of the block. On the other hand only one percent of the accidents, and that was for the adults, occurred when someone was trying to retrieve a ball that was thrown into the street.

Spray would meet the problem with education, enforcement and engineering.

Items that should be stressed, he said was that there was a 30 per cent increase in pedestrian accidents. It's a local problem, he said. Local drivers are hitting local pedestrians. He suggested a campaign to encourage people only cross streets at intersections.

Because most accidents do not occur at intersections but in the middle of the block there was no way to spotlight dangerous corners but his maps showed Pipestone (13), the Main and Fair area (8) and Main and Paw Paw areas (4) as the most dangerous spots in Benton Harbor and Benton township and the length of Main and Niles as the most dangerous in St. Joseph. That's where St. Joseph's nine pedestrian mishaps occurred.

Spray also suggested drivers be told repeatedly of the peak accident times and places.

He noted that only one pedestrian was cited—a hitchhiker on an expressway ramp.

He suggested more sidewalks in the rural areas where children walk to schools.

Other recommendations included providing a school safety officer, upgrading school safety patrols and developing a formal traffic safety curriculum that not only stresses to and from school traffic safety but also after school safety.

Under enforcement Spray suggested local pedestrian ordinances be enforced. He wants tickets issued to youngsters, who break pedestrian laws, that the parents must answer for.

All of the recommendations—Spray gave the committee a 16-page report plus maps pinpointing where accidents have occurred the past two years—will be available to the committee in making specific suggestions.



GERALD L. SPRAY  
AAA Safety Expert

## BH Pedestrian Safety Improves Drastically

A survey made by Michigan State Police and revealed last month by the Automobile Club of Michigan showed Benton Harbor in 1971 with the state's worst pedestrian accident record.

But the trend has reversed. Figures for 1972 just compiled show that

Benton Harbor accidents fell from 38 to 29, but the total for the entire twin cities area climbed 30 per cent from 58 to 73.

The bulk of the increase came in Benton township and St. Joseph. Benton township went from 13 to 32 and St. Joseph from 4 to 9.



WILLIAM D. LACEY  
Publisher



ARNOLD LEONARD  
Associate Editor

## BH Group Launches New Magazine For Black Businessmen

By NICK SMITH  
Staff Writer

A new magazine, "U.S. Black Business," published in Benton Harbor and aimed at a nationwide audience, appeared on newsstands across the country in January.

The staff members are all local residents, according to William D. Lacey, Jr., editor and publisher of the business magazine. Lacey said that the 36-page January issue of the magazine is now available at local newsstands at a cost of 50 cents. According to Barbara Gill, distribution manager, the next issue, combined February and March, will be available next week.

In the first issue, Associate Editor Arnold Leonard, an employee of the Department of Urban Renewal in Benton Harbor, wrote: "We will endeavor

to give the black businessman keys to unlock the many doors that presently are closed to him. Through articles on taxes, accounting, financing, management techniques, etc., we will help you to help yourself."

In an interview held in the staff's office on the fourth floor of the Fidelity building, Lacey, who worked 16 years for the Heath Co. in St. Joseph, spoke about the magazine.

"The purpose is to teach business techniques to black businessmen," he said. "Hopefully, the magazine will be read by the majority of black businessmen in the United States." He said the subject of the articles will be business, not politics.

Vernon Baker, advertising manager, said that like all new publications, his magazine has

encountered difficulties finding advertisers. He stated that he hopes circulation will grow from the few thousand issues in January to 25,000 issues within six months.

Other members of the staff are: Patricia A. Robinson, art director; Sadie Leonard, associate editor; Hazel Y. Walker, editorial assistant and secretary and Glory D. Griffin, distribution assistant and secretary.

## Derailment Blamed For Train Delay

BRIDGMAN — A westbound Chesapeake & Ohio freight train was delayed about two hours last night when a box car derailed near here about 8:10 p.m.

Jack Adams, chief dispatcher for the railroad at Grand Rapids, said only one car was involved. Car and track both were repaired this morning, he added.

Adams said there was no damage to the automotive parts cargo of the car. Adams blamed the derailment on a defective hub at end of axle. He credited alertness by the train's crew with averting a more serious accident.

The train was enroute to Chicago.

The faulty car was left on a siding last night, allowing the rest of the train to proceed after a delay of about two hours.

## Three Queens To Be Picked This Weekend

Three 1973 blossom queens will be crowned in pageants this weekend in Benton Harbor, Dowagiac and Decatur.

Benton Harbor's contest is set for 8 p.m. tonight in Benton Harbor high school auditorium.

The Dowagiac and Decatur contests will be held Saturday night. Dowagiac's will begin at 8 p.m. in Dowagiac Junior high auditorium. Decatur's is scheduled to start at 7:30 p.m. in Decatur high school gym.

Queens selected will be the second, third and fourth local queens chosen this year. Miss Gobles was named Feb. 24.

## BH Resident's Cousin Among Returning PWs

Navy Lt. Cmdr. John Heilig, 32, cousin of Mrs. Warren Kurtz, 1608 Colfax avenue, Benton Harbor, was among the first group of POWs released Feb. 12 by North Vietnam and the Viet Cong under the cease-fire agreement.

Heilig is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Heilig, North Miami Beach, Fla. His father is a former Benton Harbor resident.

Heilig was piloting a Navy crusader photo reconnaissance plane when shot down over Hanoi May 5, 1966, and was imprisoned at the "Hanoi Hilton."

Until 1967, he was listed as missing in action.

Upon his return to the States from Clark AFB, the Philippines, he was sent to a Naval

hospital in Jacksonville, Fla. His wife, Betty, and their daughter, Donna, 7, who was 10½-months-old when her father was captured, have been residing in North Miami Beach.

Heilig attended the University of Miami for two years prior to entering the Navy's aviation pilot program from which he received his wings in 1963. He was on his second tour of duty in Vietnam when captured.

He has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and five Air Medals.

Heilig has two aunts who are well-known former Benton Harbor residents, Mrs. T.H. Gasteiger of Oak Lawn, Ill., and Mrs. Louis Noack of Augusta, Mich.

His grandparents were the late John S. and Mabel Heilig of Benton Harbor. Mrs. Heilig was former dean of girls at Benton Harbor high school.



EARNs Ph.D.: Joseph P. D'Ippolito, route 3, Coioma, has received a doctor of philosophy degree in physics at Indiana university. Bloomington. D'Ippolito, 29, is employed as a research engineer for Whirlpool corporation, Benton Harbor.

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## 'Bad Dream' Was Real Thing

An attendant at a Benton Harbor service station had a bad dream early this morning, but he didn't realize it until he woke up.

When he did, he found 30 cartons of cigarettes had been stolen from the station, and an undetermined amount of cash removed from his shirt pocket while he was asleep.

Ron Killian, an attendant at the Clark service station, 710 West Main street, told Benton Harbor police the items were stolen about 4 a.m.

He told the officers he had only slept for "about 15 minutes."

## Four POW's Will Return To Michigan

Four Families Finally Get Long-Awaited News From Hanoi



MARTIN NUENS  
Iron Mountain, Mich.



ROBERT ABBOTT  
Deckerville, Mich.

### By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The families of four Michigan POW's have been notified by the Armed Services their sons are to be among the prisoners scheduled for release by Hanoi this weekend.

Capt. Robert Abbott of Deckerville and Maj. Willard Gideon of Mount Clemens will be released along with Capt. Martin Nuens, an ex-Iron Mountain resident who now lives in Aurora, Wis., according to the Air Force.

Also coming home will be Sgt. Cordine McMurray of Detroit and Chief Warrant Officer Michael O'Connor of Warren.

"Of course we're elated after waiting six years for his return," said Abbott's father, Grant, Thursday. "It's been a long wait for us, but for him it probably seems like three times that long."

"We're just so thrilled we don't know what to say," said Gideon's wife, Barbara. "We plan to go to Wright-Patterson AFB next week and await his arrival."

The Gideons have two children, Willard Jr., 16, and Georgia, 15.

Abbott, who owns a well-drilling business in Deckerville, said the Air Force spokesman could say only that Capt. Abbott was to be among the next Hanoi POW's released. The spokesman told Abbott exact times and places

were yet unknown.

"We've heard that he's in good condition," Abbott said. "We got that information from a POW who came out a couple of weeks ago."

Capt. Abbott, who will be 31 years old April 1, has been a prisoner in North Vietnam since April 30, 1967, when his fighter-bomber was shot down while on a mission near Hanoi.

Gideon, 42, was captured Aug. 7, 1966, when his F-105 bomber was downed by Communist gunfire near Hanoi.

Abbott was listed as missing in action until four months later, when it was learned he was a prisoner. He was promoted to captain after his capture.

"We've had letters periodically, off and on," his father said. "We probably receive three or four a year."

"Most of them say practically the same thing. They (his captors) probably watch the letters pretty close. All say he's in good health and that he sends his love and hopes to be home soon."

Abbott said he wasn't sure what his son's future plans held.

"I don't know whether he'll stay in the Air Force or go to law school," Abbott said.

"He took pre-law in college. But he might have something else on his mind when he comes home. He's had a long time to think about a lot of things over there."

Abbott said village officials in Deckerville, where Abbott was a star high school football player, have indicated the village would like to hold a celebration in Capt. Abbott's honor when he returns.

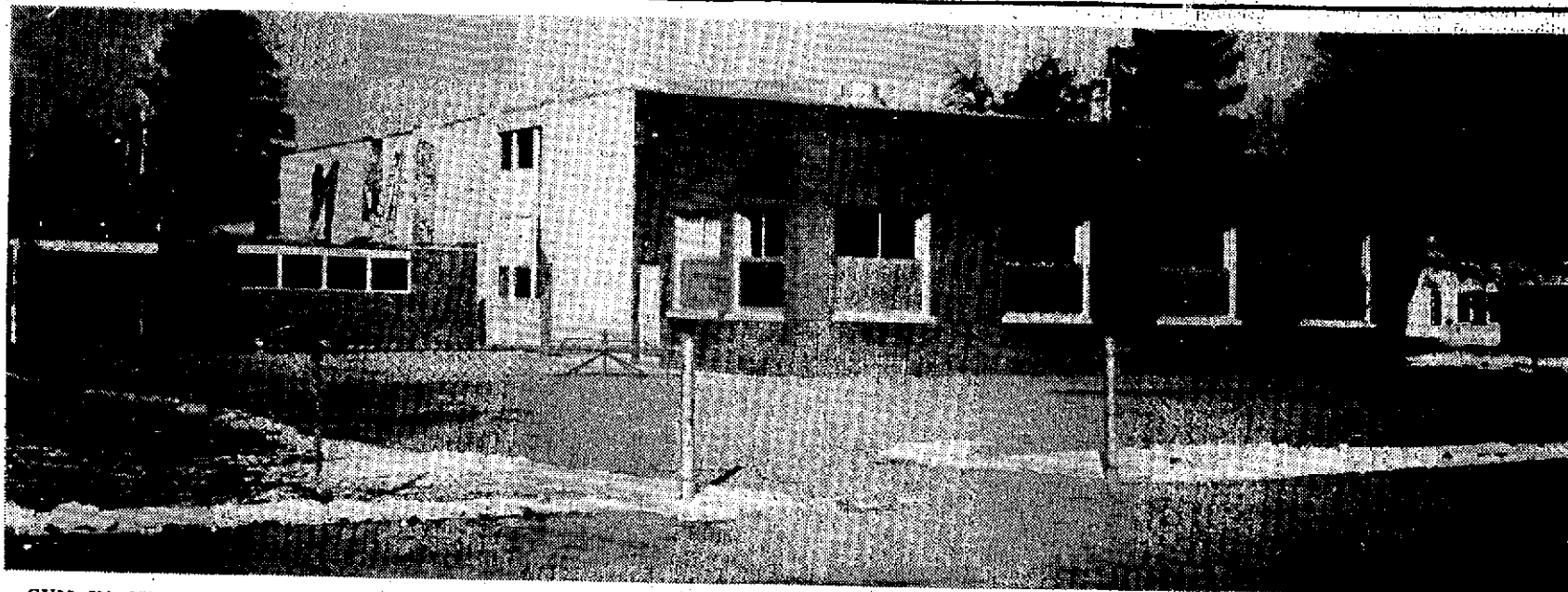
"I want to talk to the boy first, though," Abbott said. "I think we ought to see how he feels about that."

"I talked to Governor Milliken earlier this week at the Lincoln Day Dinner in Croswell," Abbott said. "If we do have a celebration, the Governor said he'd try to be there."

Only one sad note mars Abbott's homecoming. His wife, Linda Sue, has filed for a no-fault divorce in Marquette County Circuit Court.

Mrs. Abbott, a school teacher at K.I. Sawyer Air Force Base in the Upper Peninsula, was unavailable for comment.

"I'd prefer not to talk about it," Abbott said. "Let's give the boy a chance."



**GYM IN QUESTION:** Recommendation by consulting engineers that old gymnasium building at South elementary school, E street, Hartford, be closed because of weak walls at end of current school year is

under study by Hartford board of education. Repairs to exterior and interior walls to temporarily eliminate danger of falling surface material are being made by H.L. Lockrow company, Grand Rapids. The 50-year-old

building was left standing when old Hartford high school was demolished in 1960. It is used by South elementary students for physical education and hot lunch. (Righter photo)

## Campus Unrest 'Resting In Peace'

### U-M Chief Hopes Student Violence Is Over

By NICK SMITH  
Staff Writer

Campus unrest, a few years ago a thorn in the side of every college administrator, is apparently resting in peace.

Last night University of Michigan President Robben Fleming spoke about student unrest as he addressed members and guests of the University of Michigan Alumnae of Benton Harbor-St. Joseph at their dinner held in the Berrien Hills country club.

He said, "Student unrest was a phenomenon that took place all over the world. None of us understand exactly what happened, or why. Happily, it has subsided, not only on our campus, but everywhere." He said hopefully students will not lose their interest in social problems but will not use violent methods again.

In the speech, Fleming told the audience of about 130 people that the University of Michigan, unlike most other universities, has not experienced a decline in enrollment. He said that during the 1960's, while other universities generally continued to increase enrollments quickly, it was decided by the University of Michigan to stabilize the number of students on the Ann Arbor campus at about 33,000.

He said that the school foresees no decline in enrollment, and added that last year 5,000 students applied for 375 openings at the university's law school.

Commenting on the financial state of the university, Fleming said that cuts in the federal budget and a lawsuit against the university may cause future problems.

He said that at present, it is

hard to tell how much difference the cuts in the federal budget will make to the university, although Fleming thinks they will mainly affect graduate students.

He also explained a lawsuit which charges that the University of Michigan's tuition policy is unconstitutional. The lawsuit, which was begun by 10 university students, charges that out-of-state students — those whom the university does not recognize as residents of Michigan — should not have to pay more tuition than in-state students.

"If the court rules against us," Fleming said, "we will have to raise the cost of tuition for everyone." He said that presently out-of-state students, approximately 20 per cent of the university's population, pay

three times more tuition than in-state students.

During a question and answer period following his speech, Fleming said that the caliber of education at the University of Michigan is "extraordinarily good." He said that traditionally, the university was ranked in the top 10 best universities in the country, and that a recent survey made by the American Council of Education ranked the university's graduate program in the top three nationwide.

He said, "Our faculty has been reasonably responsive to change and yet they haven't thrown the goals of education over, walked into their classes and said, 'Well, what should we do today?'"

Also present at the dinner were University of Michigan Regents James Waters, of Muskegon, and Robert J. Brown, of Kalamazoo. Co-chairmen for the dinner were Mrs. Alfred Butzbaugh, of Benton Harbor, and Mrs. John Dewane, of St. Joseph.



**PRESIDENT FLEMING TALKS:** Mrs. Alfred Butzbaugh, left, and Mrs. John Dewane, stand with University of Michigan President Robben Fleming. The women were co-chairman of last night's dinner, sponsored by the University of Michigan Alumnae of Benton Harbor-St. Joseph, at which Fleming spoke.

## Reduced Road Weight In Effect

Weight restrictions for trucks were put into effect on county roads in Berrien county this morning, according to Heath Calvin, engineer-manager of the county road commission.

Reduced load limits will remain in effect until after the frost leaves the ground under roadbeds this spring.

Restrictions apply to all county roads except for concrete-base roads and some arterial roads, such as Red Arrow highway. Interested persons who want to know which are arterial roads should contact the road commission headquarters.

Calvin noted the application of load limits this year is earlier than usual, as result of early thawing temperatures.

## South Haven Treasurer Hurt In Fall

**SOUTH HAVEN** — City Treasurer Howard McDougall is a patient at Holland City hospital with injuries suffered last weekend in a fall on ice in downtown South Haven.

McDougall is expected to be hospitalized for three weeks with a broken elbow and fractured bones in the right shoulder, according to a hospital spokesman.

## Slow Learner Drowns

**DETROIT (AP)**—A Detroit school official said Thursday the parents of a 12-year-old boy might have avoided his accidental drowning if they had told authorities of the youth's fear of water.

George Allen, a student at Detroit's Daney School of Observation, drowned Wednesday while par-

ticipating in a swimming class at the ungraded school for slow learners.

Julia McCarthy, a deputy superintendent with the Detroit school system, said the boy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James L. Jerry Sr., could have written the school a letter and asked that he be excused from class.

"He was frightened of the water, but he was still eager to learn how to swim," said his mother.

Mrs. Jerry said she mentioned the problem on a visit to the school, but she said officials said they would try to give him some extra help.

The boy's sister, Willa Patterson, 23, said the boy told her of paddlings by the

instructor and of frightened boys being pushed into the pool.

Detroit police were investigating the incident.

Police said the swimming instructor, who was not identified, saw the youngster lying at the bottom of the pool, pulled him out and was trying to revive him when police arrived.

## Board Postpones Adoption Of Budget

**BERRIEN SPRINGS** — The Berrien Intermediate school district board here last night delayed adopting a line-item 1973-74 general budget until a later date.

James Walton, administrative assistant, reported the board desires more time to adopt a \$475,000 line-item budget corresponding to the overall \$75,000 budget approved Tuesday by representatives from the intermediate's constituent local school districts.

The constituent districts adopted a budget \$5,165 lower than the proposed \$480,165 budget. It's up to the intermediate board now to make line-item changes to bring the proposed budget down to \$475,000. Then the budget goes to the county tax allocation board for a final okay.

Also last night, Walton reported, the intermediate board bought a second film inspection machine and film splicer costing a total of \$4,000 for the intermediate's instructional materials center.

—Okayed buying \$187.82 in equipment, including a flash attachment for a camera to be used to publicize activities of the intermediate's special education division.

—Paid bills of \$63,003.

—And heard a report from member Ben Nye on a recently-formed task force, with members from Berrien-Cass school boards, to gather data on items affecting costs of education.



**INVESTIGATION CITATIONS:** New Buffalo city police officers John Palen, left, and Alton Harrington, center, receive city council citations for work in investigation of slaying of Michael Wolford in city last year. A suspect has been arrested and charged in case. Citations were approved by New Buffalo city council in January, at recommendation of Dale Siebenmark, police chief. Pinning citation on Harrington is Lt. Edward Payne. (Don Webner photo)



**IDEA NETS \$\$\$:** Ray Spears Jr., right, pipefitter at Clark Equipment's construction machinery division, was awarded check for \$1,066 for idea to modify grinders to conform with new safety standards, so company did not have to replace grinders. Spears was presented check by Ed Donahue, division manager. Spears said he would use money to send his daughter to nursing school.